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SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Wehrbein, the LUST Fund, we all know what that's for. But has the use of those dollars declined in the last couple of years? Or are we needing more money to operate the LUST Fund?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Actually, it's fairly steady. It's not declined, Senator Janssen. That amount of money has stayed relatively constant that's been building. They're only able to move at a given pace for the cleanup dollars...for the cleanup contracts. And...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Have they...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...they...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...discovered more areas that do need cleanup? Or do you...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I think there's more, but they...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...think they're over the hump?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...but they've also prioritized, so that--I'm not fresh on this--but they've prioritized the cleanup so that it's...the serious ones have been taken care of, and the others have not been...they have not moved so fast on those.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, are they still discovering areas that need attention? Or have they discovered most of them?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I don't know that exact answer. But I would assume that they are...there's continuing...

SENATOR JANSSEN: I see. Well, you know,...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...discoveries,...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...if we...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...oil discoveries.